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Subject: Insider 2?

1. Amy, long time, no contact. Did you see 48 Hours last Friday nite? They actually ran a show about two of my clients who have dead children as a result of drug induced psychoses. I encouraged my clients to cooperate with CBS IN SPITE of the dead silence from 60 Minutes. Now the drug that caused those deaths only sells a mere few hundred million a year, and, unlike the multi-billion dollar SSRI's, they undoubtedly do not spend a whole lot on television advertising. So, maybe they didn't have enough economic clout to kill the story.

Two days after that show, I watched 60 Minutes, and got to learn a little bit about Lyndon Johnson's sweet talking Jackie Kennedy. Really current stuff.

As you can tell, I'm a wee bit miffed that we have heard nothing from 60 Minutes, and that your show has not run. That concern is exacerbated, of course, every time that we see one of the ubiquitous ads from Zoloft, Paxil or Prozac on CBS. You will undoubtedly remember that when we first met I expressed some rather grave concerns about "advertisers censorship", and was assured that that would never happen at 60 Minutes, again. The Insider movie was too much of a blight on journalistic freedom, and, of all shows on television, the least likely to be affected by any "corporate" pressures was 60 Minutes.

Mark and Cheryl and I go to court next week to have a monumental fight -- not over the merits of their case -- but on the question of whether or not there is any scientifically reliable evidence to even let them have a day in court. One of the most courageous men in the world is being vilified as a "junk scientist". And, yet, somewhere on an unaired 60 Minutes episode there is a comment from an independent expert, consulted by CBS, who says "you betcha" the Zoloft could have killed Matt.

Amy, I think that Mark and Cheryl are entitled to an explanation. Don't you?

Andy